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Keiichi TAKANASHI et al. : Docket No. 2001_0689A
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 27, 2003, the period for response to which having been extended by one month to December 27, 2003, reconsideration and further examination are requested.